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NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

BETWEEN
JOHN CAMERON, Plaintiff,
AND
THADDEUES HARPER, Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT AN Order has been made in the above entitled action, by the Hon. Sir Matthew B. Begbie, C.J., appointing James C. Prevost and Henry S. Mason to be Receivers of all the Estate and Effects of the above named defendant, to take possession of the real estate and recieve and collect the personal estate, and to manage and conduct his business, and to restrain the defendant and all other persons from interfering with them as such Receivers. JAMES C. PREVOST.
HENRY S. MASON.
Dated, Victoria, Dec. 20 1888. dc21

NOTICE OF PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing and operating a line of STREET RAILWAY in the Districts of Esquimalt, Victoria and Lake, connecting with the Street Railway system of the City of Victoria, on the following routes: Victoria to Cadboro and Oak Bays; Victoria to Esquimalt Town; Victoria to the Royal Oak Hotel in Lake District; Victoria to Craiglower Bridge; Victoria to the Gorge; and from thence by the Craiglower Road back to Victoria; and generally to construct, equip, maintain and work such street railways as may be deemed advisable. The said Street Railway line to run along the usual highways to the foregoing points.
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Victoria, Dec. 18 1888. dc21

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A first-class quadrille band has been engaged. Dancing to commence at 8 sharp. Tickets admitting gentleman and ladies $2.00, to be obtained from any member of the order and H. L. Salmon, corner Yates and Government Sts. Sidney Wilson at Brown & White's Government street; A. Grissmer, Whittaker's Barber Shop Government street. dec12td

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

TO THE TIMES ONLY.

Sir John's Christmas Dinner—He Must Eat Crow—Rejoicing in Manitoba.

A Marvellous Dream—Mrs. Yeoman's, the Lecturer, Not Expected to Recover.

[Special to THE TIMES.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—The news of the decision of the Supreme court in favor Manitoba in the crossing case, was received with much rejoicing. Bonfires were lighted at Portage La Prairie and other places. It is probable the C. P. R. will take the case before the Imperial Privy Council, but Attorney-General Martin expresses his determination to resume operations on the road at once. The *Free Press* says: "The privy council gave Ontario a Christmas box, and the Supreme court have now also kindly remembered Manitoba. In consequence, Ontario and Manitoba will to-morrow feast on Turkey, while the *piece de resistance* of Sir John's bill of fare will be crow.

D. E. Shook, agent of the Red River Valley Elevator Company at Stephen, Minnesota, skipped to Manitoba with $5,090 of his employer's money, and $1,000 borrowed from business men of Stephen. His wife is nearly distracted over the affair.

GENERAL DISPATCHES.

Generous Church Collection---An Aged Couple Injured.

[Special to THE TIMES.]

Guelph, Dec. 24.—Wm. Elgie, one of the oldest farmers of Nichol township, and wife, were thrown from a buggy by their team taking fright and are believed to be fatally injured. Doctors so far have been unable to restore them to consciousness.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The customs department is now considering the question of granting permission to settlers in the southern portion of Manitoba near the boundary line to have their wheat ground in mills of the United States, owing to the scarcity of Canadian grist mills.

Cayuga, Dec. 24.—A reform convention meets here Thursday for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Haldimand.

Brampton, Dec. 24.—In answer to an appeal from the pastor of the St. Paul Methodist Church, Rev. J. Phelps, for $12,000 towards the extinction of the floating debt as a Christmas thanks offering to G.J, the congregation put on the plate the sum of $13,941.

MRS. YEOMANS.

Not Expected to Recover---A Marvellous Dream.

[Special to THE TIMES.]

Kingston, Dec. 24.—Principal Grant arrived home Saturday evening and received a very cordial welcome. He was met at the station by a large number of citizens and escorted to the City Hall when several addresses were presented to him.

All hope for the recovery of Mrs. Letitia Yeomans, temperance advocate, is gone.

A son of Matthew Weise, of Adolphustown, went to a neighbors to play and getting on the ice in the bay was drowned. The father not hearing of the affair went to rest and dreamed of his son lying face downward in a certain spot in the bay and rising he and the neighbors went to the place and found the lad as described.

VANCOUVER COAL COMPANY

Half-Yearly General Meeting—Terms of Bond to J. Rosenfeld.

The half-yearly general meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held at the Cannon Street Hotel, London, on Tuesday afternoon, 4th inst., the Chairman (Mr. John Galsworthy) presiding. There was a fair attendance.

The Secretary (Mr. Joseph Ramsden) read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts as presented to the meeting, said: For the half-year there has been a profit of £20,858, which is a most satisfactory state of things, and one which has not been attained for a great many years—if at all—during the progress of the Company. The output has also exceeded anything we have done before, being 87,777 tons; whilst the sales have reached 84,728 tons. Operations have been continued in Nos. 1 and 3 North Levels of the East Field Mine, and 12,959 tons have been extracted. The Diamond drill has again been set to work at the bottom of the No. 2 shaft, in the hope of finding a better seam. The No. 2 South Field Mine has yielded 45,912 tons of coal during the half year, and on the whole the result has been satisfactory. The No. 3 South Field Mine, near Chase River, has still been worked, and has yielded an output of 21,891 tons of coal of excellent quality. That makes a total of 87,000 tons odd. The profit on the sales has come to about five shillings per ton. Now I will tell you what bores there are existing. Those on the South Field are seven in number, and they indicate coal ranging from one to fourteen feet. In the East Field there are four holes, including the one at the end of No. 2 shaft, and they range from six to nine feet. The bore-holes in the West Field are three, and there has been no coal found there yet. In Gabriola Island we have a sinking which still shows shale, and the coal is supposed to be very distant yet. In Harewood we have found a little coal, but that is not without fault, and another bore is being made. With regard to the balance-sheet, I may point out that we have nearly eliminated the debit balance on the profit and loss account. Mr. Joseph Fry seconded the resolution, which, on being put, was carried unanimously.

Votes of thanks to Mr. Robins, the company's superintendent, and to Messrs. Rosenfeld, the agents at San Francisco, concluded the business of the general meeting.

The Chairman said: It is now my duty to submit the conditional agreement entered into with Messrs. Rosenfeld by us for your approval. As you have all had a copy, I can take it as read. I may say at once, for myself and the Board, that personally we have no feeling in the matter, but have entered into this arrangement, believing it to be a proper thing to do. Now, it is an agreement "to bond"—a term, I think, we don't know much about in this country. It is an American term, and I take it that the object of it is something very much like that of a man who gets a concession in this country. The question is whether the contract is one that is injurious to this Company, or whether it is one that ought to satisfy reasonable shareholders. The initiation of it, I may say, began somewhere about March of this year, and was brought about by a report from Mr. Robins, who recommended the proposal as it was originally framed. Coming from that quarter, I need hardly say that the directors felt bound to consider it. Mr. Robins' suggestions were certainly not so good as those which have been embodied in this agreement; and a good many alterations were made after conferring with many of the principal shareholders. Some did not like the option. None of us like the option; but we have no option. (A laugh.) But, after very grave consideration, we came to the conclusion that we would agree to the arrangement, subject, of course, to the sanction of the shareholders. The principal reason was, that this company is not in a position to find the capital that would be requisite in order to make a good property of the concern. I admit at once, I think we have an excellent property, a first-rate one; but it wants a capital of £100,000 or £150,000 at the back of any one who wishes to make it what it ought to be. We can't get that money out of you, gentlemen. I am sure if we were to try to-morrow to get £50,000 out of this company we would fail. That being so, you ought not to be surprised that we should have entered into this agreement, and given Messrs. Rosenfeld the opportunity of getting the capital requisite for the proper development of this property. If the arrangement is carried out, the shareholders will get £12 at least per share. Now, considering that we have been seven years without a dividend, and the misfortunes we have experienced, to get your capital back with a bonus of £2 is by no means bad. I think we have been making at least £2,000 a week during this half-year. When Mr. Rosenfeld came over here I at once put it to him whether or not he would consent to the contract out and out; but all that I could get from him was that he would lessen the term of option from 2½ years to 2 years; and that he would offer the shareholders of this Company, through the directors, one-third of the capital in the Company he hopes to form in America upon the scale of the amount which he himself pays in this contract. Now that being so, if any of you gentlemen are of opinion that Mr. Rosenfeld is likely to make a good thing out of this arrangement you will have an opportunity of participating in it.

A shareholder—Will it be a limited liability?

The Chairman—I take it that it will be so, as a matter of course.

Mr. Collins—Have you had any other offer?

The Chairman—We have not.

Colonel Hunter inquired whether the supplementary offer would be inserted in the agreement.

The Chairman—We should make it clear, undoubtedly. I now move that the agreement be approved and sanctioned.

Mr. Frederick Tondron seconded the resolution.

Colonel Hunter—To me the proposal seems objectionable in the highest degree. £240,000 is much too low a price. Under the agreement we are in this position, that if, within the next two years, we go on prospecting, Messrs. Rosenfeld will exercise their option; while if, on the contrary, things go badly, they need have nothing to do with it.

Ultimately the resolution was carried by twenty-two votes to five, the Chairman remarking that it would have been carried on a poll by a still larger majority.

The proceedings then terminated.

"BULLDOG" KELLY.

Why He Murdered His Victim in Kootenay.

"Bulldog" Kelly, the man who was arrested at St. Vincent, Minnesota, four years ago for murdering a man in Kootenay, and whom the United States government refused to give up after a long hearing of the case in St. Paul, makes no bones of the fact that he had been engaged in smuggling opium. It was over the division of the profits of their smuggling enterprise that he and the man he killed, who had been his pal, quarrelled. They had a train of pack mules, and brought the opium on the mules' backs, from Calgary down through the mountains to Butte City, Helena, Bozeman and other territorial railroad points, where it was disposed of by shipments to several eastern points. Jim Corrigan, who was one of the witnesses taken to St. Paul in Kelly's interests, said the opium had often been taken as far as Omaha or Denver by the mule-trains, and that the smugglers had confederates in nearly every western town who stored away the opium and sold it out in small quantities at appropriate times. The business, he said, was so systematically conducted, and such violent oaths for secrecy exacted from those engaged in it by the leaders, that they could laugh at the law. He ought to know. He was one of them.

SCHOOL MANAGEMENT.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

DEAR SIR,—It must be very humiliating to the Superintendent of Education at the present time to see the promotion lists of the various schools published in the newspapers, which lists have been made by him from the results of the written examinations lately held; although in his last educational report he has stated that written examinations are no test even when held weekly, but that daily marks are. Why does he not stand up like a man for the teachers and for his principles and promote from the result of the daily marks. It seems to me that anyone who advocates the daily marking system is ignorant of the first principles of education, and that the Minister of Education must have been *mis* informed and *mis* led when he introduced that clause into the Education Act of last session. I hope you will use all the influence of your widely circulated paper to get this clause repealed. Yours truly, J. N. MUIR.

Vancouver, Dec. 22nd, 1888.

Rosisch Pianos.

We have a consignment of these renowned great pianos on the way of new designs and request intending buyers to wait and examine them before buying. Rosisch pianos have now been ten years in use in B. C. and give universal satisfaction. C. A. LOMBARD.

Gentlemen.

Secure your Cork Soled Boots at Erskine's Boot and Shoe Emporium, corner Government and Johnson streets.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH

On Proroguing Parliament—Terrible Loss of Life on the Mississippi River.

Lawrence Oliphant Dead—Drank Embalming Fluid—Haytian Affairs.

London, Dec. 24.—Parliament prorogued to-day till February the 20th. The members of both Houses assembled in the House of Lords where the Queen's speech was read. The speech declared that England's foreign relations continued friendly. It expressed regret that the fisheries convention with the United States had not commended itself to the judgment of the American senate. The speech continued: "Temporary arrangements, however, which have been adopted, will I trust, prevent any immediate inconvenience arising from this decision. The convention for the abolition of the sugar bounties has been signed by representatives of most of the sugar producing countries." Referring to the attempt of the Soudanese to possess themselves of Suakim the speech says the besieging forces were dispersed by a brilliant military operation, in which the Egyptian forces were supported by the British contingent. Aside from the trouble at Suakim, the administration and economical progress of Egypt are satisfactory. An insurrection prevails in the dominions of the Sultan of Zanzibar, is largely due to the renewed vigor with which the slave traffic is carried on. I have joined the Emperor of Germany in establishing a naval blockade in Zanzibar in order to prevent not only the exportation of slaves on the African coast at that point, but also the importation of munitions of war. My Indian dominions have enjoyed general tranquility and prosperity during the past year. Disturbances, however, occurred in the neighboring region of Black Mountain and on the extreme frontier of Suakim, but have been terminated without difficulty. A rebellion in Afghanistan under Shak Kahn, which at one time threatened to assume formidable porportions, has been entirely subdued by the military force of the Ameer. The rising of some Zulu chiefs in South Africa does not seem to have met with any sympathy on the part of the population and has been suppressed by my troops and native levies. The chiefs concerned are awaiting orders before especial commissions." Concluding it said: "I thank you for the liberal provision you have made for the service of the state. The measures which you have adopted extending the functions and improving the machinery of the local government in England are calculated to increase the loyal attachment of the people to their institutions and to promote harmony.

HAYTIAN AFFAIRS.

Havana, Dec. 24—The American men-of-war have arrived at Hayti, and the government has delivered the seized steamer Haytian Republic to them. The Haytian flag was honored by a salute of twenty-one guns. General Legitime has been unanimously elected president of the republic and is taking energetic steps to suppress the revolution.

London, Dec. 24—A dispatch from Suakim says that shots were fired yesterday, showing that the enemy continue to be active.

New York, Dec. 24—Henry D. Schoonmaker, a young salesman, shot and fatally wounded his wife on Saturday night and then killed himself. The father of young Schoonmaker says his son has been sick a few days, and his mind must have been affected.

New York, Dec. 24—Captain G. Sheppard and Captain Healy, of the United States Revenue Marine, have arrived here from San Francisco en route to Washington, where they have been summoned to testify before the congressional committee investigating the alleged outrages in Alaska.

LAWRENCE OLIPHANT DEAD.

London, Dec. 24—Lawrence Oliphant, the well known writer, is dead, aged 59 years.

DRANK EMBALMING FLUID.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24—In an undertaker's shop on Saturday, William Graham drank embalming fluid by mistake, thinking it was beer. He died yesterday in great agony.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 24—The steamer Kate Adams while on the way to this city yesterday morning with over 200 people, took fire near Commerce, Miss., forty miles below here, and was totally destroyed. Many lives were lost, an estimate placing the number at not less than 35. The steamer was valued at over one hundred thousand dollars.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 24—The loss of life by the burning of the steamer Kate Adams yesterday is not yet definitely known and it is probable that the exact number of drowned will never be accurately stated. Thirty-five is a most conservative estimate. Out of a party of 15 white laborers which boarded the steamer, only two are said to be saved. If this is true there is no means of substantiating the report. The loss of life may reach 60, as many negroes lost their lives in attempting to swim ashore from the steamer.

SIR FRED'K PELLOCK DEAD.

London, Dec. 24—Sir Frederick Pellock died this morning.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Rapid City, Dak., Dec. 24—A prairie fire is raging southeast of this city. Many farm buildings are in its line.

SLAVE DHOWS CAPTURED.

Zanzibar, Dec. 24—The German warship Leipsic has captured another dhow with 140 slaves.

AFTER THE ANARCHISTS.

Chicago, Dec. 24—The police prevented the anarchists from holding a meeting yesterday, but in spite of the former's vigilance a quiet meeting was held in the evening.

THE GRAND OLD MAN.

Naples, Dec. 24—Gladstone received an ovation from the students and municipallonveil on his arrival here last night.

Great Understandings.

None but a Chicago belle would ever dream of having the world at her feet.—*New Orleans Picayune.*

Chicago girls make economical wives, as they use their India-rubber overshoes for nursery bulletins.—*Detroit Paragrapher.*

Chicago girls are very attractive. They never walk out without leaving an impression—on the sidewalk.—*Kentucky State Journal.*

PERSONAL.

Items Telling of the Movements of Well Known Persons.

S Nesbitt and E Mallendaine arrived from Vancouver last evening.

C Doering and wife were passengers from Vancouver on last night's steamer.

J S Bowker, J M Holland and R B Smith were passengers from Vancouver on last night's steamer.

John Gilmore and H McCandless arrived last evening from Vancouver.

Mr and Mrs J C Keith of Vancouver arrived last night and will spend the Christmas holidays in this city.

C Drinkwater of the C P R arrived in this city last evening.

H Walkem, C Millard, F Randolph and W C Heywood arrived last evening from the mainland to spend the holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

W Graveley and Mrs Graveley, of Vancouver, are spending the Christmas holidays with friends in this city.

Thornton A Goldsby, of Louisiana, arrived this morning and is the guest of E W Evans of Dunn, Wiman & Co.

J T Fee returned on Sunday evening from a business trip on the mainland.

Gus Hartnagel, of the Driard, returned this morning from New York and other Eastern cities. He found no place where he would sooner reside than under the balmy skies of Victoria.

Joseph Thain, mail agent on the CPR, arrived in this city on Saturday evening.

H Croft, M P P, arrived from Chemainus this afternoon.

J R Anderson is recovering from an attack of typhoid fever. He is attended by Dr J B Matthews.

Miss Netherby left on Saturday morning for Calgary.

Viscount Eanismore will remain in St. Joseph's Hospital until next Monday morning when his father, the Earl of Listowel, will leave for England, accompanied by his son. A private car has been placed at the disposal of the Earl by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

M English, of New Westminster, is at the Driard.

M Creighton came down on to-day's train from Nanaimo and is at the Driard.

Miss Christie was among the passengers from Nanaimo to-day.

The school teachers are coming in to the city to spend the holidays. Misses Barrow, Johnson and Sylvester arrived on Saturday's train and Miss Clunas arrived on to-day's.

Dr Lottes R McInness of New Westminster, arrived on Saturday night's steamer.

O Johnson, clerk of the county court, Vancouver, and wife are at the Driard.

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS.

The Churches Protest Against the Proposed Trip of the Islander.

The question of Sunday observance came up for discussion in the several Evangelical churches yesterday in connection with the proposed excursion of the new steamer Islander to Vancouver on Sunday next. In the evening a petition was circulated among the congregations and something near a thousand names obtained. Following is the petition:

To the President and Directors of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company.

GENTLEMEN,—Whereas, a public excursion by the new steamer Islander is advertised to take place on Sabbath next, and special inducements are offered for the people to avail themselves of it.

Your petitioners earnestly pray the directors of the company to reconsider their action.

First—Because the excursion is a direct incentive to Sabbath breaking, not only in our own city but also in Vancouver.

Second—Because whatever may be said as to the necessity of the regular steamboat service on Sabbath, there can be no shadow of justification for a pleasure excursion.

Third—Because holding the excursion on the Sabbath shows an entire disregard on the part of the company to the feelings of a large proportion of their patrons.

A REMINISCENCE.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—It gave me much pleasure to notice in this evening's TIMES a very favorable account of the gold mining at Leech River, recalling to my memory a circumstance that happened a quarter of a century ago. In December, 1863, the late George Pearkes (who was the first Crown Solicitor for these colonies) and I left Victoria together for England. While in London in July of the following year Mr. Pearkes wrote to Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton, Secretary for the Colonies, enclosing two prize essays, one on Vancouver Island by Dr. Forbes, R. N., the other on the mainland of British Columbia by the Rev. Robert Landin Brown, Sir Bulwer Lytton replied, thanking Mr. Pearkes for the essays, and stating that he took a deep interest in the welfare of these colonies, having been one of Her Majesty's advisers in establishing them, and mentioned that Sir Roderick Murchison, the noted geologist, who had foretold the existence of gold in Australia years before it was discovered there, was of opinion that from its formation Vancouver Island was rich in mineral deposits, and predicted a brilliant future for it. Strange to say that at this time (unknown to us) the gold discovery on Leach River was then taking place. Hoping that Sir Roderick Murchison's prophesy respecting this Island may be fully realized, THOS. C. NUTALL.

Victoria, Dec. 22.

Entitled to the Best.

All are entitled to the best that their money will buy, so every family should have, at once, a bottle of the best family remedy, Syrup of Figs, to cleanse the system when costive or bilious. For sale in 75 cent bottles by all leading druggists. dec20-1m

Exports and Imports.

The total value of exports from the port of Nanaimo from Jan. 1st to Dec. 20th, 1888, amounted to $1,512,160. The customs collections at the port of Nanaimo for the same period amounted to $52,730. The total exports of coal amounted to 377,621 tons, valued at $1,433,606. Iron ore, 6770 tons, valued at $17,340. Products of the forest valued at $61,220, making a grand total of $1,512,166. The exports of coal will, in all probability, reach $1,500,000 in value in 1889. This is the largest amount yet attained in the history of Nanaimo.

—A laundry in Cambridgeport, a suburb of Boston, is one to-do in the world, and proudly claims to keep 50,000 dozen in stock yearly.

—Social philosopher—Is marriage a failure? Fortuitous man—Great Scott! No. I've made $7000 this year on baby carriage alone.

Passengers Arriving.

Per steamer Olympian from Puget Sound—B H Thornton, Chas Mallery, Fred Coombs, E Hodge, T Millard, A Bigoas, Thos Cleary, Miss Hard, E McNard, S M Johnson, E R Langford and wife, G F Garvin, L Peters, A Somerhays, H Smith, G C Carman, J Charnsworth, J Smith, A McDonald, G Hawkins, T Danders, George Alberts, Jno Stewart, W H Compton, C J Thorcome, C N Halser, J Sweeny, W Dixon, J F Rotlie, G A Harrnagle, B T Gorman, H M Wright and wife, W J Chancer, W Hagens, Mrs King, W Keiman, D A Campbell, T Burooga, T W Spain, H Hammond, L Rostein, J Douglass, H Ganhagne, J Garson, E Maxwell, J Krueger, Thos Clancey, M J Cunningham, G W Burke, T F Golby, J Nicholas, T F Terry and wife, J F Long and wife, Jno Bell, W H Riley, G E Hance and wife, Miss H Warner, J Williamson, wife, four sons and three daughters, O Hastings.

Per Str. Princess Louise from Vancouver—R Headleson, Isabella McLean, B Greenway, Lim Kee, W Templeman, Mrs Templeman, Miss Eva Thoburn, C Doering, Mrs C Doering, S Nesbitt, A H Lewson, E Mallandaine, G Lee, W Gravely, Mrs Gravely, Mrs McDonald, R G Harvey, E A Crease, W J Beavon, W Warren, J W Morrison, J S Bowker, J W Holland, E C Heard, Hy Wood, D Freeman, C C Morrell, W C Haywood, H McCandless, Jas Gilmore, H B Smith, J McPhee, C Askew, Mr and Mrs Keith, H Walkem, J L Lee, Mrs R McIver, J McMurrey, Miss May, C Millard, E G Johnston, Mrs Johnston, C Drinkwater, C McLachlay, H M Yates, J Tyson, T G Monteith, C L Behnsen, L K Winch, F Randolph.

Consignees.

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CHRISTMAS.

To-morrow will be Christmas, and in accordance with custom there will be no issue of THE TIMES on that day. To friend and foe we wish "A Merry Christmas," and many happy returns of the auspicious season.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATURE.

We are at a loss to understand the principles regulating the actions of the wealthy gentlemen composing our provincial government. In the latest number of the Gazette notice is given of the prorogation of the legislature to the 21st of February, and then not to meet for the dispatch of business. Now the peculiarities of this is, that the Hon. Mr. VERNON, one of the gentlemen who maintains a sleek and well-nurtured appearance on the profits of governing the country, introduced a bill into the legislature in the session of 1880, fixing the annual meeting for the second Monday in January. Mr. VERNON, it is necessary to state, was then in opposition. His bill did not pass, but by dint of persistancy he succeeded in passing a resolution affirming the principle of the bill. There is, therefore, no doubt but that in the opinion of Mr. FORBES GEORGE VERNON, formerly of Clontarf Castle, Dublin, Ireland, the assembling of the legislature on the second Monday in January was consistant with good and efficient government. What was good for the country in the days of Mr. VERNON should be good enough for it in the days of the Hon. F.G. VERNON, so that if the honorable gentleman wishes to preserve a name for consistency he had better inform the provincial secretary—when he returns from the holiday trip to Ottawa—that the "dutiful and loyal" have got to come to blows sooner. January is the most convenient time for the Legislature to meet, a fact which the president of the council should have known, and if he didn't the Commissioner of Lands and Works should have told him.

COMOX LANDS.

The morning organ of the President of the Council says a letter written by Mr. TRUTCH, of the land department of the E. & N. Railway would not be accepted as evidence in court in regard to the price of railway lands, though the letter was for purpose of instructing an intending purchaser as to the price and terms upon which the company sold its land to either speculators or settlers. Possibly our contemporary may be right, but we think not. No person—not even the President of the company that owns the land—would be able to speak with greater authority than the official charged with the sale of the lands. When an intending settler is informed by Mr. TRUTCH that the price is $3 per acre, he naturally believes that the information is correct, and he governs himself accordingly. If he thinks it an exorbitant price, no sale is made and the country loses possibly a valuable settler while the company retains its property. In the instance referred to—the application of Mr. THOMAS—we stated the facts as far as we knew them. Our information is to the effect that Mr. THOMAS, who is a young man employed by the farmers of Comox, was anxious to purchase a farm for himself, upon which he intended to reside and by the cultivation of which he proposed making a living. We suppressed no facts and made no false statement. Mr. THOMAS may have applied for the land for speculators, but we do not know such to be the case. The publication of Mr. Thomas' letter to Mr. TRUTCH would settle that point, and if the Colonist will procure a copy from Mr. DUNSMUIR we will cheerfully give it a place in these columns. All we stated was that as the applicant was a laboring man it was unlikely that he would apply for land for speculative purposes. He may or may not have been doing so, but we submit that the weight of evidence at present is in favor of our view of the case. The Colonist can help us to get at the bottom of the question, and as it enjoys Mr. DUNSMUIR confidence, there will be no difficulty in procuring Mr. THOMAS' letter. The organ should not suppress any portion of the truth.

THE SEA SERPENT.

With the approach of Christmas the appearance of the regular annual sea serpent is reported. This time he is a little out of his latitude and longitude, having been seen by the captain of a vessel off Winpqua Bay, who was on a voyage from Tacoma to San Francisco. He appeared to be about eighty feet long and as big around as a barrel. He rode over the waves with his head and about ten feet of his body elevated above water, every now and then dipping his immense head into the water, the body making gigantic convulsions while gliding caterpillar like over the waves.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Hon. A W. McLelan is being soundly rated by the purists in the Canadian press—may they grow in numbers and influence—for a gross assault upon the Queen's English. It appears that in the last report of the postoffice department the honorable gentleman, in his former capacity as Postmaster-General, deliberately took upon himself the coining of a new word, for which, we are assured, there is neither "rhyme, nor reason, nor necessity." "Sortation," is the hateful word, and again and again is it made to usurp the place of its legitimate companion—"assortment." For a cabinet minister to thus degrade the English language is an unpardonable offence, though had his "a" been an "i" he he would have found "sortition" perfectly authorized, according to Webster. We shall next hear of regation for region, and refugation for refuge!

OUR MUSICAL COLUMN.

Demi Semi Quaver Dilates on Matters in General.

The recent week has been prolific of entertainments of all kinds. Socials, drawing rooms, concerts, musical and dramatic entertainments.

The Pandora Street Methodist Church people have not given many socials this season, and if by reason of their giving a few, they get up such an affair as was presented last Monday evening, it is to be hoped they will always do so. The programme was a very fair one. Having such names on it as Miss Berridge, Mr. Robson, Mr. Brown, and Prof. Sharpe was sufficient a guarantee as to the excellence of the pieces given. Mr. Robson sang very nicely, but was evidently suffering from cold, his voice lacking the usual power. Mr. Brown also sang well but there was perhaps a want of his usual vigor in his singing. Miss Berridge has a good soprano voice of fair compass, just a little hard and thin on the upper notes. Her singing on Monday evening was very acceptable to those present. Prof. Sharpe does not often give the people of Victoria an opportunity of hearing his voice, but at the drawing room he astonished some of the audience by singing a simple ballad in a very nice manner. Mr. Sharpe's voice, like most conductors, has got a few ragged edges by singing the different parts. Altogether the Drawing Room was unique and a delightful entertainment. The First Presbyterian Church, also gave a social last Monday evening, which was well attended. The programme was very fair, what D. S. Q. heard of it for having to be at the Drawing Room, as well, it was impossible to wait until the interim, Miss Berridge sang a very nice solo and received well merited applause. Mr. Kinnaird sang a song entitled Geneveieve, a very pretty love song, and suited for his voice. D. S. Q. would advise Mr. Kinnaird to take a rest. Too much singing will ruin his voice, and Mr. Kinnaird's name appears on every programme up the Pendora street Presbyterian Church way. Miss Jamieson sang a very pretty song receiving a decided *encore* and responding with a Scotch song which pleased the audience very much. Miss Jamieson has a good voice and knows how to use it. Mr. Landel gave a most amusing reading. The remainder of the social was a success so far as eatables were concerned.

The St. Andrew's Church Bazaar and Concert was a grand success. D. S. Q. has only to deal with the musical part, therefore, will only say in passing that the Bazaar was well attended and a handsome sum realized. The concert began with an overture by C Battery band. This band is steadily improving and it certainly would be a treat to hear them play in a larger hall than the Philharmonic. As it is the playing seems too loud. Mr. Prior's song needs no praise. It was artistically rendered. Prof. Strauss gave a violin solo, which was certainly the most enjoyable item of the evening. His playing was simply marvelous. Miss Arrowsmith sang very fairly and showed her well-trained voice to perfection. Mr. Robson essayed to give a song, but fairly broke down, his voice failing him, and D. S. Q thinks that it is no wonder. Mr. Robson has been singing so often and so much of late that it is easy to understand his voice giving way between the effects of a cold and too much work. Mr. Robson is too good-natured and will not refuse, but there is such a thing as imposing on good nature. An overture by the band closed the first part and another selection opened the second, followed by a duet between Mrs. Schweeger and Mrs. Harris, which was encored. Prof. Agius gave a clarionet solo in his usual able way, but there was something very familiar about it; seemed to D. S. Q he had heard it often enough. Mrs. Harris then sang a solo. Mrs. Harris has a grand voice and well trained. Singing in Italian or any other foreign language to a British or Canadian audience pays, of course, a high compliment to their intelligence and learning, but at the same time D. S. Q would venture to say that not one in a hundred understands it. Mr. Geo. Jay then sang a solo but was not in his usual form. Too much Choral Society, Mr. Jay, and a slight cold. A selection by the band brought the concert to an end. A very fair concert on the whole, and a success so far as attendance was concerned.

The Victoria Choral Society had another rehearsal last Wednesday evening and judging from the large number present the enthusiasm of the members seems to keep up. A few choruses from "The Rose Maiden" were tried and went very well on the first attempt. A notice of motion has been given to do away with the entrance fee for the present. D. S. Q is heartily in sympathy with the motion. Two dollars and fifty cents entrance fee and fifty cents per month for a season of six months, makes each member pay $3.50 for the privilege of singing. Of course hall, fire and light, music and conductor have to be paid, and some fee must be charged, but the entrance fee might be a barrier to some who would otherwise feel disposed to unite themselves to the society, and D. S. Q. thinks it would be a good move on the part of the society to drop the entrance fee for the rest of the season. Nothing definite has been decided as to what the society will take up for their next concert, but a great many objections have been raised against taking up an opera and it is understood that some cantata will be selected by the committee, rehearsals to begin immediately after the holidays.

D. S. Q. is pleased to note that "Erminie" is to be given early in January. The libretto having arrived, the members of the private society who intend giving this opera have been keeping quiet of late and if the opera is to be given early in January, D. S. Q. and other musical people no doubt would like to know who are to take the leading parts. D. S. Q. does not for a moment doubt the ability of the members to give it, and give it well. D. S. Q. of course is aware that private societies have a right to manage their affairs as they please, but might be allowed to suggest that by giving more publicity to their efforts they would secure the interest of the musical public at large.

The musical portion of the service at the First Presbyterian church yesterday was exceptionably fine. In the morning one of Millard's beautiful anthems, "Awake, Put on Thy Strength," was magnificently rendered and most appropriate after the earnest and eloquent appeal of the pastor to the congregation and all Christians to rise in their might and protest against Sabbath desecration as exemplified in the case of the proposed excursion by the new steamer Islander next Sunday. In the evening all the hymns were bearing on the birth of Christ. The "Adeste Fideles" was splendidly sung and the "Te Deum" was grand. It is not often that such a musical service is heard in our Presbyterian churches and the large audience left delighted with the excellent sermon and music.

Christmas is near and as the Catholic congregation always have good music on Christmas Eve D. S. Q will be there to hear it as is his wont at every Christmas time. Wishing all the readers of this column A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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de19 JOSHUA HOLLAND.

FOR COUNCILLOR.

To the Electors of Johnson Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Having been solicited by a large number of electors to become a candidate for the position of councillor in Johnson street Ward, I have consented, and respectfully ask your votes and influence. You are already familiar with my record in the Council of 1886, and also as a business man. If elected I will, as in the past, act according to the best of my judgment to advance the interests of Victoria.
de17 M. HUMBER.

THE MAYORALTY.

To Robert Ward, Esq., Victoria B. C.:

SIR,—We, the undersigned ratepayers of Victoria, beg to request that you will allow your name to be placed in nomination for the position of Mayor of the city of Victoria for the year 1889. The zeal you showed in a former council, in which you served for the interests of the city, and the ability you have displayed in the prominent position you now occupy as President of the Board of Trade, besides your own large interests in the city, lead us to hope that you will be disposed to take a leading part in the several important matters which will, we trust, be undertaken by the incoming council.

Should you accede to this request, we shall give you our hearty support.

Victoria, B. C., 11 December, 1888.

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To the Ratepayers whose signatures are attached to the above:

GENTLEMEN,—Replying to the above requisition, I have to thank you for the proffered honor of your support and influence to secure my election, as Mayor for the ensuing year.

I fully realize the important functions devolving on that office, and if I can be of service in helping forward the good government of the city, I accept your nomination. Should it be the pleasure of the ratepayers to elect me, I can assure them that my best efforts shall be devoted to guarding their interests and in promoting generally the advancement of the city.

I shall doubtless be afforded an opportunity prior to the date of election, of publicly expressing my views on the various urgent matters which demand the attention of the incoming Council.

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"Lifted from the Brick Kilns"—The Deathbed of the Infidel—Men Who Are Infidels Are Men Without Hope—What Religion Does for Man on Earth.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 16.—The Rev. T. De Witt Talmage's discourse today was entitled, "Lifted from the Brick Kilns." His text was: "Though ye have lain among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold."—Psalms lxviii, 13. He said:

I suppose you know what the Israelites did down in Egyptian slavery. They made bricks. Amid the utensils of the brick kiln there were also other utensils of cookery—the kettles, the pots, the pans, with which they prepared their daily food—and when these poor slaves, tired of the day's work, lay down to rest, they lay down amid the implements of cookery and the implements of hard work. When they arose in the morning they found their garments covered with the clay and the smoke and the dust, and besmirched and begrimed with the utensils of cookery. But after a while the Lord broke up that slavery, and he took these poor slaves into a land where they had better garb, bright and clean and beautiful apparel. No more bricks for them to make. Let Pharaoh make his own bricks. When David in my text comes to describe the transition of these poor Israelites from their bondage amid the brick kilns into the glorious emancipation for which God had prepared them, he says: "Though ye have lain among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold."

Miss Whately, the author of a celebrated book, "Life in Egypt," said she sometimes saw people in the east cooking their food on the tops of houses, and that she had often seen, just before sundown, pigeons, doves, which had, during the heat of the day, been hiding among the kettles and the pans with which the food was prepared, picking up the crumbs that they might find—just about the hour of sunset would spread their wings and fly heavenward, entirely unsoiled by the region in which they had moved, for the pigeon is a very cleanly bird. And as the pigeons flew away the setting sun would throw silver on their wings and gold on their breast. So you see it was not a far fetched simile, or an unnatural comparison, when David in my text says to these emancipated Israelites, and says to all those who are brought out of any kind of trouble into any kind of spiritual joy: "Though ye have lain among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold."

HOW SIN WEIGHS UPON MAN'S SOUL.

Sin is the hardest of all taskmasters. Worse than Pharaoh, it keeps us trudging, trudging. In a most degrading service; but after a while Christ comes, and he says: "Let my people go," and we pass out from among the brick kilns of sin into the glorious liberty of the Gospel; we put on the clean robes of a Christian profession, and when at last we soar away to the warm nest which God has provided for us in heaven we shall go fairer than a dove, its wings covered with silver, and its feathers covered with yellow gold.

I am going to preach something which some of you do not believe, and that is that the grandest possible adornment is the religion of Jesus Christ. There are a great many people who suppose that religion is a very different thing from what it really is. The reason men condemn the Bible is because they do not understand the Bible; they have not properly examined it. Dr. Johnson said that Hume told a minister in the bishopric of Durham that he never apparently examined the New Testament, yet all his life warring against it. Halley, the astronomer, announced his skepticism to Sir Isaac Newton, and Sir Isaac Newton said: "Now, sir, I have examined the subject and you have not, and I am ashamed that you, professing to be a philosopher, consent to condemn a thing you never have examined." And so men reject the religion of Jesus Christ because they really have never investigated it. They think it something impractical, something that will not work, something Pecksniffian, something hypocritical, something repulsive, when it is so bright and so beautiful you might compare it to a chaffinch, you might compare it to a robin redbreast, you might compare it to a dove, its wings covered with silver, and its feathers with yellow gold.

But how is it if a young man becomes a Christian? All through the club rooms where he associates, all through the business circles where he is known, there is commiseration. They say: "What a pity that a young man who had such bright prospects should so have been despoiled by those Christians, giving up all his worldly prospects for something which is of no particular present worth!" Here is a young woman who becomes a Christian, her voice, her face, her manners the charm of the drawing room. Now all through the fashionable circles the whisper goes: "What a pity that such a bright light should have been extinguished, that such a graceful gait should be crippled, that such worldly prospects should be obliterated!" Ah, my friends, it can be shown that religion's ways are ways of pleasantness and that all her paths are peace; that religion, instead of being dark, and doleful, and lachrymose, and repulsive, is bright and beautiful, fairer than a dove, its wings covered with silver and its feathers yellow with gold.

See, in the first place, what religion will do for a man's heart. I care not how cheerful a man may naturally be before conversion, conversion brings him up to a higher standard of cheerfulness. I do not say he will laugh any louder, I do not say but he may stand back from some forms of hilarity in which he once indulged; but there comes into his soul an immense satisfaction. A young man not a Christian depends upon worldly successes to keep his spirits up. Now he is prospered, now he has large salary, now he has a beautiful wardrobe, now he has pleasant friends, now he has more money than he knows how to spend; everything goes bright and well with him. But trouble comes—there are many young men in the house this morning who can testify out of their own experience that sometimes to young men trouble does come—his friends are gone, his salary is gone, his health is gone; goes down, down. He becomes sour, cross, queer, misanthropic, blames the world, blames society, blames the church, blames everything, rushes perhaps to the intoxicating cup to drown his trouble, but instead of drowning his trouble drowns his body and drowns his soul.

THE PART OF A CHRISTIAN.

But here is a Christian young man. Trouble comes to him. Does he give up? No. He throws himself back on the resources of heaven. He says: "God is my father. Out of all these disasters I shall pluck advantage for my soul. All the promises are mine, Christ is mine, Christian companionship is mine, heaven is mine. What though my apparel be worn out? Christ gives me a robe of righteousness. What though my money be gone? I have a title deed to the whole universe in the promise, 'All are yours.' What though my worldly friends fall away? Ministering angels are my body guard. What though my fare be poor and my bread be scant? I sit at the King's banquet."

Oh, what a poor, shallow stream is worldly enjoyment compared with the deep, broad, overflowing river of God's peace, rolling midway in the Christian heart! Sometimes you have gone out on the iron bound beach of the sea when there has been a storm on the ocean, and you have seen the waves dash into white foam at your feet. They did not do you any harm. While there, you thought of the chapter written by the Psalmist, and perhaps you recited it to yourself while the storm was making commentary upon the passage: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble. Therefore will I not fear though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah!" Oh, how independent the religion of Christ makes a man of worldly success and worldly circumstances! Nelson, the night before his last battle, said: "To-morrow I shall win either a peerage or a grave in Westminster Abbey." And it does not make much difference to the Christian whether he rises or falls in worldly matters; he has everlasting renown any way. Other plumage may be torn in the blast, but that soul adorned with Christian grace is fairer than the dove, its wings covered with silver, and its feathers with yellow gold.

You and I have found out that people who pretend to be happy are not always happy. Look at that young man caricaturing the Christian religion, scoffing at everything good, going into roistering drunkenness, dashing the champagne bottle to the floor, rolling the glasses from the bar room counter, laughing, shouting, stamping the floor, shrieking. Is he happy? I will go to his midnight pillow. I will see him turn the gas off. I will ask myself if the pillow on which he sleeps is as soft as the pillow on which that pure young man sleeps. Ah! no. When he opens his eyes in the morning, will the world be as bright to him as to that young man who retired at night saying his prayers, invoking God's blessing upon his own soul and the souls of his comrades, and father and mother and brother and sister far away? No, no. His laughter will ring out from the saloon so that you hear it as you pass by, but it is hollow laughter; in it is the snapping of heart strings and the rattle of prison gates. Happy! that young man happy? Let him fill high the bowl; he cannot drown an upbraiding conscience. Let the balls roll through the bowling alley; the deep rumble and the sharp crack cannot overpower the voices of condemnation. Let him whirl in the dance of sin and temptation and death. All the brilliancy of the scene cannot make him forget the last look of his mother, as he left home, when she said to him: "Now, my son, you will do right, I am sure you will do right; you will, won't you?" That young man happy! Why, across every night there flits shadows of eternal darkness; there are adders coiled up in every cup; there are vultures of despair striking their iron beak into his heart; there are skeleton fingers of grief pinching at the throat. I come in amid the clicking of the glasses and under the flashing of the chandeliers, and I cry: "Woe! woe! The way of the ungodly shall perish. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked. The way of transgressors is hard." Oh, my friends, there is more joy in one drop of Christian satisfaction than in whole rivers of sinful delight. Other wings may be drenched of the storm and splashed of the tempest, but the dove that comes in through the window of this heavenly ark has wings like the dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

Again I remark, religion is an adornment in the style of usefulness into which it inducts a man. Here are two young men. The one has fine culture, exquisite wardrobe, plenty of friends, great worldly success, but he lives for himself. His chief care is for his own comfort. He lives uselessly. He dies unregretted. Here is another young man. His apparel may not be so good, his education may not be so thorough. He lives for others. His happiness is to make others happy. He is as self denying as that dying soldier, falling in the ranks, when he said: "Colonel, there is no need of those boys tiring themselves by carrying me to the hospital; let me die just where I am." So this young man of whom I speak loves God, wants all the world to love him, is not ashamed to carry a bundle of clothes up that dark alley to the poor. Which of those young men do you admire the better? The one a sham, the other a prince imperial.

Oh, do you know of anything, my hearer, that is more beautiful than to see a young man start out for Christ? Here is some one falling; he lifts him up. Here is a vagabond boy; he introduces him to a mission school. Here is a family freezing to death; he carries them a scuttle of coal. There are eight hundred millions perishing in midnight heathen darkness; by all possible means he tries to send to them the Gospel. He may be laughed at, and he may be sneered at and he may be caricatured, but he is not ashamed to go everywhere, saying: "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ. It is the power of God and the wisdom of God unto salvation." Such a young man can go through everything. There is no force on earth or in hell that can resist him.

SIGNIFICANT SPECTACLES IN HISTORY.

I show you three spectacles. Spectacle the first: Napoleon passes by with the host that went down with him to Egypt, and up with him through Russia, and crossed the continent on the bleeding heart of which he set his iron heel, and across the quivering flesh of which he went grinding the wheels of his gun carriages—in his dying moment asking his attendants to put on his military boots for him.

Spectacle the second: Voltaire, bright and learned and witty and eloquent, with tongue and voice and stratagem infernal, warring against God and poisoning whole kingdoms with his infidelity, yet applauded by the clapping hands of thrones and empires and continents—his last words, in delirium supposing Christ standing by the bedside—his last words, "Crush that wretch!"

Spectacle the third: Paul—Paul insignificant in person, thrust out from all refined association, scourged, spat on, hounded like a wild beast from city to city, yet trying to make the world good and heaven full; announcing resurrection to those who mourned at the barred gates of the dead; speaking consolations which light up the eyes of widowhood and orphanage, and want with glow of certain and eternal release; undaunted before those who could take his life, his cheek flushed with transport and his eye on heaven; with one hand shaking defiance at all the foes of earth and all the principalities of hell and with the other hand beckoning messenger angels to come and bear him away, as he says: "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand; I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me."

Which of the three spectacles do you most admire? When the wind of death struck the conqueror and the infidel they were tossed like sea gulls in a tempest, drenched of the wave and torn of the hurricane, their dismal voices heard through the everlasting storm; but when the wave and the wind of death struck Paul, like an albatross, he made a throne of the tempest, and one day floated away into the calm, clear summer of heaven, brighter than the dove, its wings covered with silver and its feathers with yellow gold. Oh, are you not in love with such a religion—a religion that can do so much for a man while he lives, and so much for a man when he comes to die? I suppose you may have noticed the contrast between the departure of a Christian and the departure of an infidel. Deodorus, dying in chagrin because he could not compose a joke equal to the joke uttered at the other end of his table. Zeuxis, dying in a fit of laughter at the sketch of an aged woman—a sketch made by his own hand. Mamrin, dying playing cards, his friend holding his hands because he was unable to hold them himself. All that on one side, compared with the departure of the Christian minister, who said to his friends: "I have no interest as to whether I live or die; if I live I shall be with the Lord, and if I live the Lord shall be with me." Or the last words of Washington: "It is well." Or the last word of McIntosh, the learned and the great: "Happy!" Or the last word of Hannah More, the Christian poetess: "Joy!" Or those thousands of Christians who have gone, saying: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly." "O death! where is thy sting? O grave! where is thy victory?" Behold the conqueror! Behold the charm of the one, behold the darkness of the other. Now, I know it is very popular in this day for young men to think there is something more charming in skepticism than in religion. They are ashamed of the old fashioned religion of the cross, and they pride themselves on their free thinking on all these subjects. My young friends, I want to tell you what I know from observation that while skepticism is a beautiful land at the start, it is the great Sahara Desert at the last.

A STORY WITH A MORAL.

Years ago a minister's son went off from home to college. At college he formed the acquaintance of a young man whom I shall call Ellison. Ellison was an infidel. Ellison scoffed at religion, and the minister's son soon learned from him the infidelity, and when he went home on his vacation broke his father's heart by his denunciations of Christianity. Time passed on and vacation came, and the minister's son went off to spend the vacation, and was on a journey and came to a hotel. The hotel keeper said: "I am sorry that tonight I shall have to put you in a room adjoining one where there is a very sick and dying man. I can give you no other accommodation." "Oh," said the young college student and minister's son, "that will make no difference to me, except the matter of sympathy with anybody that is suffering." The young man retired to his room, but could not sleep. All night long he heard the groaning of the sick man, or the step of the watchers, and his soul trembled. He thought to himself: "Now, there is only a thin wall between me and a departing spirit. How if Ellison should know how I feel? How if Ellison should find out how my heart flutters? What would Ellison say if he knew my skepticism gave way?" He slept not. In the morning, coming down he said to the hotel keeper: "How is the sick man?" "Oh," said the hotel keeper, "he is dead, poor fellow! The doctors told us he could not last through the night." "Well," said the young man, "what was the sick one's name? Where is he from?" "Well," said the hotel keeper, "he is from Providence college." "Providence college! What is his name?" "Ellison." "Ellison!" Oh, how the young man was stunned! It was his old college mate—dead without any hope. It was many hours before the young man could leave that hotel. He got on his horse and started homeward, and all the way he heard something saying to him: "Dead! Lost! Dead! Lost!" He came to no satisfaction until he entered the Christian life, until he entered the Christian ministry, until he became one of the most eminent missionaries of the cross, the greatest Baptist missionary the world has ever seen since the days of Paul—no superior to Adoniram Judson. Mighty on earth, mighty in heaven—Adoniram Judson. Which do you like the best, Judson's skepticism or Judson's Christian life? Judson's suffering for Christ's sake, Judson's almost martyrdom? Oh, young man, take your choice between these two kinds of lives. Your own heart tells you this morning the Christian life is more admirable, more peaceful, more comfortable, and more beautiful.

Oh, if religion does so much for a man on earth, what will it do for him in heaven! That is the thought that comes to me now. If a soldier can afford to shout "Hurra!" when he goes into battle, how much more jubilantly he can afford to shout "Hurra!" when he has gained the victory! If religion is so good a thing to have here, how bright a thing it will be in heaven! I want to see that young man when the glories of heaven have robed and crowned him. I want to hear him sing when all huskiness of earthly colds is gone, and he rises up with the great doxology. I want to know what standard he will carry when marching under arches of pearl in the army of banners. I want to know what company he will keep in a land where they are all kings and queens forever and ever. If I have induced one of you this morning to begin a better life, then I want to know it. I may not in this world clasp hands with you in friendship, I may not bear from your own lips the story of temptation and sorrow, but I will clasp hands with you when the sea is passed and the gates are entered.

IF WE HAD BUT A FORETASTE OF HEAVEN.

That I might woo you to a better life, and that I might show you the glories with which God clothes his dear children in heaven, I wish I could this morning swing back one of the twelve gates that there might dash upon your ear one shout of the triumph, that there might flame upon your eyes one blaze of the splendor. Oh, when I speak of that good land, you involuntarily think of some one there that you loved—father, mother, brother, sister, or dear little child garnered already. You want to know what they are doing this morning. I will tell you what they are doing. Singing. You want to know what they wear. I will tell you what they wear. Coronets of triumph. You wonder why oft they look to the gate of the temple and watch and wait. I will tell you why they watch and wait and look to the gate of the temple. For your coming, I shout upward the news today, for I am sure some of you will repent and start for heaven. Oh, ye bright ones before the throne, your earthly friends are coming. Angels; posing mid air, cry up the name. Gate keeper of heaven, send forward the tidings. Watchman on the battlements celestial, throw the signal.

"Oh," you say, "religion I am going to have; it is only a question of time." My brother, I am afraid that you may lose heaven the way Louis Philippe lost his empire. The Parisian mob came around the Tuileries. The national guard stood in defense of the palace, and the commander said to Louis Philippe: "Shall I fire now? Shall I order the troops to fire? With one volley we can clear the place." "No," said Louis Philippe, "not yet." A few minutes passed on, and then Louis Philippe, seeing the case was hopeless, said to the general: "Now is the time to fire." "No," said the general, "it is too late now; don't you see that the soldiers are exchanging arms with the citizens? It is too late." Down went the throne of Louis Philippe. Away from the earth went the house of Orleans, and all because the king said: "Not yet, not yet." May God forbid that any of you should adjourn this great subject of religion, and should postpone assailing your spiritual foes until it is too late—too late, you losing a throne in heaven the way that Louis Philippe lost a throne on earth.

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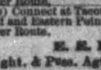

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CITY AND PROVINCE.

—The letter carriers will make one delivery to morrow morning.

—Thirty-five prisoners will dine at the Provincial gaol to-morrow.

—Willis Bond will deliver a lecture in Philharmonic Hall next month.

—Amongst the passengers from the Sound this morning was Edward Hodge.

—Behold now the coal dealer and plumber rejoices for this is the time they get their work in.

—The remains of the late Dr. John L. Hall have been embalmed, and will be sent to Toronto for interment.

—The dog and poultry show will open in the Yates Street Skating Rink on Thursday afternoon.

—Steamer Islander came out of the dry dock this afternoon and steamed around to Spratt's wharf.

—The County Court will sit on 3rd January, 1889, not for the hearing of any cases, but only to adjourn till 7th Jan., 1889.

—The thermometer took a dip Saturday night and the air has since been just cold enough to make it bracing and pleasant.

—A brutal prize fight took place at 6 o'clock last night at the race track in Seattle. A number of sports from Victoria were present.

—The Steamer Olympian is again on the Victoria-Seattle route. The fine vessel arrived 9 o'clock this morning and left again at 11 o'clock.

—Graham, canteen-man of C Battery, whose desertion was reported a few days ago, returned this morning from Seattle on the steamer Olympian.

—Edwards, Mack and Ward, the men committed for trial on two charges of larceny, were conveyed to the Provincial gaol on Saturday evening.

—A lacrosse match between Grits and Tories will take place at Vancouver to-morrow. The *News* says this will be the first lacrosse match played in Canada on Christmas day.

—A party more or less "under the influence" drew a revolver in a Government street shooting gallery on Saturday evening to shoot at the target. The bullet struck the ceiling instead and rebounded to the floor, whereupon a policeman took charge of the shooting iron.

—The best present you can make to your wife, is a Life Insurance Policy. The new cheap Tontine Term Policy offered by the rich Citizens' Insurance Company of Canada, is already a popular favorite. At age 30, a 20 year Tontine term $2,000 policy costs only $15.40 each six months, or $7.70 for each $1,000 of insurance. At the end of the term of insurance, you will receive back more than double the premiums you have paid, or can have a fully paid up policy for the original amount insured. A $5,000 policy on same plan, costs only at age 30, $19.60 each three months. The original sum insured is paid without discount, should the insured die before his term expires. Company's office, 56 Langley street, Victoria.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Hon. A. N. Richards, Q.C.)

J. W. Martin, on remand, summoned for driving over Rock Bay bridge at a pace faster than a walk. Remanded to 27th inst.

Jim, a Fort Rupert Indian, charged with being drunk. Fined $5.

Joe, a Fort Rupert Indian, on the same charge. Fined $5.

Runaway.

A horse driven by Mrs. and Miss Bullen ran away on Saturday evening near Russell station. The ladies courageously held on to the reins and finally ditched the horse after he had run about a quarter of a mile. No injury was done. The occupants of the carriage were a little frightened.

Splendid Fowls.

Dr. G. L. Milne received this morning from B. Garrison's farm at Forest Grove, Oregon, a box containing five beautiful chickens, two Plymouth Rocks and three Black Minorcas. These birds scored 94 marks at the Oregon State Fair. They will be entered in the forthcoming poultry show.

Mr. Duck's Resignation.

The Nanaimo *Free Press* publishes the following information: "In view of the overwhelming work in connection with his position as Treasurer, Mr. Duck has decided to resign his seat in the local house, a seat that he filled with credit to himself and to the city that showed its appreciation of his services by electing him with such a large majority only a short time ago. Mr. Duck's colleagues and his friends on the other side will miss the treats of his oratorial talent."

Snow Slides.

Special to THE TIMES.)

Field, Dec. 24—Snow slides are now the order of the day, three having lately occurred at the same place, a short distance east of the tunnel on the big hill. The first came down on Monday last, the second on Wednesday, narrowly missing the express train, the third on Thursday night and the last Saturday.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Wood and Coal.

Coke and Bark for sale at current rates. Orders promptly filled if left at the Scotch Bakery, Douglas street, or J. Finlayson's Tea Store, corner of Government and Broughton Streets. J. C. Howe. t-al

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Another Sealing Schooner.

Capt. Grant and Capt. McKeil will leave for Vancouver to-night where they will take passage on the Batavia to-morrow for China. They go to the Orient for the purpose of bringing over a sealing schooner recently purchased for them at a sale in Hongkong.

The Late Geo. Taylor.

Samuel Taylor arrived in this city on Thursday evening and left again at 3 o'clock on Sunday morning with the mortal remains of his father, the late George Taylor. The remains will be buried in the family burying ground at Port Huron, Michigan.

Midnight Mass.

Midnight mass will be celebrated at the R. C. pro-Cathedral at 12 o'clock to-night. Rev. Father Laterme will deliver the sermon and an excellent choir under the leadership of E. A. McQuade will sing during the mass. Services will be held at 8 a. m. and 10:30 a. m. to-morrow.

From Skeena River.

The steamer Cariboo Fly arrived at 11 o'clock on Saturday night from Skeena River and way ports. Amongst the passengers were Messrs Vermilyea, W H Dempster, Judge Graham, R Cunningham and J Rood. Miss Chalmers was a passenger from Port Essington. The steamer made a very quick trip.

Funeral.

The remains of the late Mary Sullivan, wife of John Sullivan, whose death occurred on Saturday, took place at 8:30 o'clock this morning. Requiem Mass was celebrated at the pro-cathedral by Rev. Father Van Nevel, and the last sad rites were administered at the cemetery by Rev. Father Mandart. The pall bearers were M. McTiernan, G. Winter, John Walsh, John Fitz-Allen, Geo. Dougherty and Ben McGuire.

Oh, Happy!

A well known and estimable young lady connected with a Pandora Street Church choir left the city on Saturday for the east. It is understood that a young man who has been true to his plighted troth, will be met at Calgary, where a ceremony will take place. In connection with the foregoing it is said that the subject of this item was to have edified a young people's society this evening on the question as to whether it is "better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all."

A Snow Plough.

Rotary snowplough No. 101 was given another trial in wet snow this week. It was taken up to the summit and run through a long cut near the Glacier that had been shoveled full. When run at a low rate of speed, it cleared the cut throughly, throwing the snow clear over the telegraph wires to a distance of 100 feet. The test satisfied the railroad men present that the plough would do good work in wet snow if not sent into it too fast—about six miles an hour being found the proper speed.—*Donald Truth.*

Improvements.

A large number of new buildings are contemplated for next spring. Among those shortly to be erected is a two storey brick to be built on Langley street at the rear of the premises occupied by Messrs. Angus & Gordon and Messrs. Lenz & Leiser. These firms will occupy the new building.

A four storey hotel, it is understood, will be erected at the corner of Yates and Broad streets. The Poodle Dog building will be raised two storeys more and form part of the four storey structure which will extend over to Broad street.

Does it Pay?

Three-fourths of our people are troubled with dyspepsia or liver complaint in some form or other, which by nature of the disease has a depressing influence on the mind or body, preventing them from thinking or acting clearly in any matter of importance. Indigestion, coming up of food after eating, dyspepsia, sick headache, acidity of the stomach or any derangement of the stomach or liver (upon which the whole action of our system depend) are speedily and effectually overcome by the use of Green's August Flower. The most stubborn cases have yielded to its influence, as thousands of letters received will testify. The immense sale of this medicine is another guarantee of its merits, (over a million and a half bottles sold last year.) So we ask, will it pay you to suffer from any of the above diseases when you can have immediate relief in the August Flower. Three doses will prove its worth. It is sold by all druggists and general dealers in all parts of the world.

The Bonds of Matrimony.

A quiet wedding took place at St. James Church on Friday evening, the principals being Miss Mallendaine, daughter of S. Mallendaine, architect, James Bay, and W. E. H. Corson, of Esquimalt. The interesting ceremony was performed by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, assisted by Rev. A. Beanlands. The attire of the fair bride consisted of a dress of cream nun's veiling with clevice bouquet and tulle veil. The ornaments were silver and were the gift of the bridegroom. Miss Harriett Mallendaine acted as bridesmaid and was attired in pale blue silk. The bridegroom was supported by J. A. Wells of H. M. S. Espiegle. The choir, of which the bride is a member, was present on the auspicious occasion. The wedding party returned to the residence of the bride's parents and sat down to a wedding banquet, at which the health of the bride and groom was drank in bumpers of champagne. At a late hour the happy couple left for their future home in Esquimalt. The wedding presents were numerous and handsome.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

CITY DRAINAGE.

Combined and Separate Systems compared by Health Officer Milne.

The Separate System Advocated as the Most Suitable and Cheapest.

Recently the consideration of a sewerage system for the city has been referred to both by the City Council and the daily papers. This is a subject that cannot be considered any too soon, as the results of bad drainage is making its evil effects known in many ways in our city. My annual report to the City Council will show this year an increase in the death rate over last year. Although this is the case, we can compare favorably with the eastern cities and towns in many respects. The returns show a much less number of cases of typhoid fever and other contagious diseases during the fall months in Victoria than in many places I visited in the east. While in the city of Montreal during the latter part of August, I visited the general hospital in that city, and found the place crowded with typhoid. The same may be said of Toronto's general hospital; at least they had a larger number than usual. All through western Ontario, the cities and towns had an unusual number of deaths from this disease. The physicians in Philadelphia recorded a larger number of cases than usual, and deaths were common. In fact the fatality of typhoid has become so alarming that many people are becoming to dread it more than smallpox. Such being the case sanitarians all over the country are trying to solve the question as to the best means of preventing epidemics and by this source reduce the mortality. Having this object in view also, it behooves us to consider the question of sewerage and the best mode of carrying it out. At present we have a plan by Pickering & Company under the combined system, one which I think is likely to prove very expensive and if submitted to the people will likely meet with the same fate it did on a former occasion. In view of this fact it would be well for us to consider the "separate system," owing to its cheapness and suitability for Victoria, and as a plan which can effectually be carried out.

During my late visit in the east I had the opportunity of comparing the two systems, and there are features in the separate system which in some instances are more suitable than the combined. At the outset it would be well for us to understand the difference between these two plans. By a "separate system" of sewerage a drainage is so constructed in which the sewage is only intended to be carried, with only a quantity of water sufficient for cleansing. By the "combined" is meant a plan in which it is not only intended to carry the sewage but the storm water as well. Under the last mentioned system it will be apparent to any one that in designing sewers and building them under this plan the size will be determined by the amount of rainfall per hour during storms or rainy weather as well as the area to be drained. The great size of main sewers of the combined system is where great expenditure is required, and this will necessarily be the case in the plan of Pickering's now before the Council. The length of the main sewer emptying into Ross Bay would be an enormous expense, and I can readily see, as one of the aldermen nicely put it at a late meeting of the Council, "that Pickering & Co. only propose to do $150,000 worth of work for that amount of money." The amount of money above stated is not sufficient to construct a sewerage system under their plan, especially in Victoria, where a good deal of rock cutting will be necessary to carry it out. In another letter I will consider the separate system with its adaptability for Victoria, taking up its advantages and usefulness as well as its comparative cheapness as compared with the combined system.

G. L. MILNE.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

The Description of the Handsome Decorations in the Churches.

The Christian churches throughout the city, with hardly an exception, are being decorated by the members of the congregations in a handsome and artistic manner.

Christ Church Cathedral, literally speaking, is in the hands of the young ladies of the church, being beautifully decorated. holly, ivy, evergreens and moss being used to make the building attractive. The font has been finely decorated by Mrs. H. Kent to represent snow, moss and evergreens. The pulpit has been tastefully adorned with moss, lilly and red berries, the handiwork of Mrs. Berkeley and Miss N. Woods. The altar rails have been gracefully trimmed with holly by Miss Nelson. Miss Crease and Miss A. Work have made the choir screens a thing of beauty. The choir decorations are the work of Miss Drake. The choir boys have had charge of the decorations in the body of the church, and have artistically hung evergreen festoons from the arches and around the windows and twining around the pillars. Over the east end of the church is the motto, "A Saviour, Christ, The Lord," and on the rood screen, "The word was made flesh and dwells among us," while on the aisle screens are mottos, "The Son of God" and "The Son of man." The ladies who have had the work in hand were ably assisted by the Rev. Mr. Beanlands and the choir boys.

The Reformed Episcopal Church, on Humboldt street, as in former years has been elaborately decorated with all kinds of evergreens and flowers. Across the church in front of the chancel three large evergreen arches have been erected, which with the other handsome decorations make a most pleasing appearance, and Mr. Hergraves, C. E., who designed the arches, is to be congratulated on the effect produced. The choir and reading desk present an exquisite appearance, decorated as they are with ivy and holly, while at the base is a large bank of ferns and moss, which harmonize strikingly with a most pleasing effect with the other decorations. The design reflects much credit upon Mrs. D. R. Harris and Miss Macdonald. The lectern is one of the finest pieces of decorations in any of the churches, and is certainly a credit to Miss Pemberton and Miss Langley. The font, as arranged by Miss Richardson, and the Misses Cridge, is a piece of art. Miss Maude Higgins handsomely decorated the windows and sides of the church. The arches and pillows have been gracefully trimmed with ivy and holly.

St. John's Church, corner of Douglas and Fisgard streets, which has lately been repainted and refurnished, is also receiving appropriate decorations. The choir rails and organ are artistically hung with festoons of holly, laurel and pine, over which are small shields with mottoes. Four large shields are suspended over the chancel between the windows. Wreaths of evergreen are twined around the pillars, arches and windows. The pulpit, reading desk and lectern, which in themselves are very handsome without any ulterior decorations are simply hung with trailing smilax. The altar rails present a handsome appearance from the east and simplicity of the decorations. Behind the chancel rails, palms, lilies and other house plants make a most pleasing and attractive appearance. The font has also been becomingly decorated. Those who so tastefully decorated the church are Mrs. Jenns, Mrs. Rhodes, Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Snowdon, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Dunsmuir, the Misses Twiss, Miss Jones, the Misses Woods, Miss Maslin, Miss Boothe, the Misses Askew, Miss Fmlayson, Miss Graham, Rev. Mr. Jenns, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Allison.

St. James' Church, James Bay, has also been tastefully decorated by the ladies of the congregation in an artistic manner and presents a most pleasing appearence and reflecting much credit upon those who had the work in hand.

St. Andrew's pro Cathedral on View street has also been elaborately decorated in commemoration of Christ's nativity. The ladies engaged in the work of decorating the pro-Cathedral were Mrs. T. J. Barnes, Mrs. A. Astrico, Miss McDowell, Mrs. Tilton, Miss Skinner, Miss McNiffe and Mrs. McIver.

The ladies decorating St. James' church are Miss M. G. Johnston, Miss Vidler, Mrs. Scriven, Miss Lawson, Mrs. J. L. Raymur, Mrs Rome and Mrs P. Gospel. Mr. J. K. Worsfold and other members of the congregation are also engaged in beautifying the pretty church across James Bay.

CHRISTMAS EXAMINATIONS

In the District Schools—General Satisfaction with School Work.

The examination of the Cadboro school took place last Friday in the presence of quite a number of visitors. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, Master and Mrs. Thistle, Mrs. Jobson, Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Ohlson, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Pickard, Miss Lee, Miss Williams, Miss Ogle, trustees and others. The children in a very creditable manner entertained the visitors by the following excellent and well rendered programme, and showed marked progress under their efficient teacher: Opening hymn, "Lead Us Heavenly Father;" simultaneous recitation; writing lesson; class singing, "This is the Way the Snow Comes Down;" calisthemic exercises; primer lesson; composition; marching song; recitation, Alex. Harvey, "The Schoolmaster's Guests;" class singing "Cuckoo Song;" recitation, M. Jobson, K. Simpson, A. Morrisey, H. Fox, Mary Fox, N. Ohlson, "Little Sister's Story;" class singing, Christmas Carol; simultaneous recitation, "Home for the Holidays;" God Save the Queen. Addresses were made by the trustees, Messrs. Jas. Deane and M. Finerty, each congratulating the teacher on the standard of progress that she had succeeded in bringing her pupils to, and regretted her leaving the school. After the closing exercises Miss Williams was waited upon by the children and presented with a handsome album. Mr. Henderson thanked the children on behalf of Miss Williams for their handsome gift.

The examinations at Colwood and Tolmie Schools last week were attended by a large number of residents of the districts. At the former place the prize winners were Machin, H. Atkins, E. Atkins, L. Rhode, H. Piaggion, L. Wale, L. McKenzie. At the Tolmie school Miss M. Pope conducted the exercises. Rev. A. L. Parker distributed the prizes.

NANAIMO'S NEW BANK.

Description of the New Premises Recently Built.

The Nanaimo branch of the Bank of British Columbia, says the *Courier*, took possession of their new quarters on Monday afternoon. The building has been constructed with a view to facilitate the rapidly increasing business and to add to the comfort and convenience of the general public. The banking room proper is spacious and roomy in every particular and is 44 feet long and 24 in breath, while the ceiling is 15 feet in height, and light and ventilation are all that could be desired. On the inside of the two counters, which are constructed so as to make a complete enclosure for what may be termed the inner office, the vault is situated. The vault is 8x8, made of brick and cement, with walls two feet thick and twelve feet high. The entrance to the vault is guarded by one of Taylor's steel vault doors, while inside the vault is a fire and burglar proof safe, weighing three tons, also made by the Taylor safe works, of Toronto. To the right of the vault is the stationery closet for the storing of books, papers, etc., for the use of the officials. The building is finished with Douglas fir throughout, highly polished and presents a very handsome appearance. The entire building is of brick, two storeys in height. The second story will be used as a residence for the manager and is as yet in an unfinished condition, but when completed will make one of the most comfortable and convenient residences in the city. The parlors, dining-room, bath-room, kitchen, lavatories, etc., are fitted up in the most modern style, with gas and water, as is also the banking premises. The contractor for the building was Mr. George C. Mesher, of Victoria, his father Mr. G. Mesher, representing him on the building. Mr. D. W. Gordon, M. P., acting as superintendent on behalf of the Bank, and Mr. T. C. Sorby, architect of Victoria. The building evidences the most thorough workmanship in every detail and is creditable alike to contractor and workmen. The brick used in the building was from the yards of Messrs. Coughlan & Mason, Victoria, who also had the contract for the bricklaying.

—The steamer Umatilla brought 1012 tons of freight for the following places:—Victoria 92 tons, Vancouver 124 tons, Port Townsend 43 tons, Seattle 403 tons, Tacoma 260 tons.

Arrived!

Bass XXXX Ale (Lamb's Wool) at the Occidental Hotel bar.

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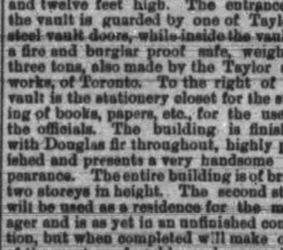

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—George Ross, a drayman, after baptismal in the Methodist church, at Port Townsend, on Friday night, fell dead in a pew. Death was instantaneous, and was caused by a blood vessel bursting. Deceased was a recent convert, and well known in Port Townsend.

NEW TO-DAY.

CARD OF THANKS.

THE UNDERSIGNED RETURNS THANKS to the friends of his father, the late Geo. Taylor, for their kindness during his illness and also after his death. The members of the Masonic Order, especially, will please accept thanks for their brotherly kindness.

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L. GOODACRE.

Victoria, B. C., 20 December 1888. de22m

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made to the Legislature of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for a Private Bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping and maintaining a Railway from a convenient point on the eastern boundary of the Province to the northern terminus of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway on Vancouver Island via Yellow-stone Pass, Cariboo and Bute Inlet, with power to construct and maintain branch lines, to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines to build and operate steam and other vessels, and generally to do all things conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above purposes or any of them; and for a grant of land in aid of the proposed enterprise.

CHARLES WILSON,
de24 Solicitor for the Applicants.

VICTORIA DOG AND POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

The first show of the above society will be held at the

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On 27th, 28th & 29th Dec. next.

Exhibitors who have made entries are requested to bring their exhibits to the Rink early on Wednesday, the 26th instant.

The Exhibition will not be open to the public, or exhibitors, until Thursday at 4 o'clock p. m.

No specimens received which have not been previously entered, or exhibitors allowed inside the building until the exhibition opens.

ADMISSION - - - 50 CENTS

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